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EXPANSION OF MOBILE NETWORK
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) proposes to expand its mobile network in the country;

(b) if so, the details of the expansion proposed during the Eleventh Plan period; and

(c) the investment proposed to be made by the Government for the said expansion?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited has proposed expansion of its mobile network in the country by 102.50 million lines during 11th Plan period.

(c) No investment is proposed to be made by the Government for the said expansion. BSNL has proposed to invest Rs. 52671 crores under Mobile Network for 11th Five Year Plan (2007-2011) from its internal resources.